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SUBJECT: ALGERIAN REGULATIONS ON ORIGIN OF IMPORTS

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1. EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED MATTER WITH BOTH ALGERIAN CUSTOMS OFFICE AND WITH COMMISSARIAT NATIONAL A L'INFORMATIQUE (CNI IMPORTER OF DATA PROCESSING MATERIAL), AND BOTH THESE SOURCES SAY TO BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE THERE NO RPT NO REGULATION PROHIBITING IMPORTS EXCEPT DIRECTLY FROM COUNTRY OF ORIGIN.

2. GOS DOES HAVE GENERAL RULE (TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE UNWRITTEN) THAT IT PREFERS DEAL DIRECTLY WITH SUPPLIER RATHER THAN THROUGH FOREIGN SUBSIDIERY. IN PRACTICE, HOWEVER, GOA STATES ORGANIZATION ISSUES TENDERS FOR SUPPLIERS AND EQUIPMENT AND GENERALLY GRANTS CONTRACT TO FIRM OFFERING BEST COMBINATION OF PRICE, QUALITY AND DELIVERY TIME.

3. U.S. FIRM REFERED TO IN REFTEL SHOULD ASSURE ALGERIANS THAT MATERIAL SHIPPED FROM BRUSSELS WAREHOUSE CARRIES

EXACTLY SAME PRICE (ALLOWING FOR FREIGHT DIFFERENTIALS) AS MATERIAL SHIPPED DIRECTLY FROM U.S. FIRM ALSO PROBABLY CAN SHOW THAT CENTRAL WAREHOUSING CUTS DELIVERY TIMES. PARKER

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